



Media Advisory

Office of the State Board of Education, P.O. Box 30008, Lansing, MI 48909, Phone: 517.373.3900, Fax: 517.335.4565

October 11, 2002

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Contact: T.J. Bucholz

(517) 241-4395

State Board of Education Postpones October Meeting

The State Board of Education has postponed its regularly scheduled October 17 meeting to a previously scheduled contingency date of October 24.

The Board will convene on October 24 at 9 a.m. in a Committee of the Whole, followed by its Regular Meeting.

The Board's Accreditation Advisory Committee, comprised of renowned educational experts from Great City Schools, the University of Michigan, Michigan State University, and other educational organizations, has requested additional time from the Board to gather critical information as it continues to work on Education YES!, the state's new accreditation system.

"We realize the Board has proposed a very ambitious timeline to complete Education YES!," said State Board of Education President Kathleen N. Straus. "The Accreditation Advisory Committee is committed to melding Education YES! and the No Child Left Behind Act together as seamlessly as possible. Postponing our meeting, as the Board anticipated in September, will allow the Advisory Committee to accomplish that goal."

###

